

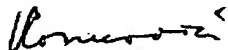
NUCLEUS PROSTHESIS, THE INSERTION DEVICE THEREFOR AND THE METHOD OF FITTING SAME

Abstract of the Invention

The invention relates to a device (3) that is used to fit a nucleus prosthesis comprising: a deformable elastic nucleus prosthesis (1) which can adapt to the shape of intervertebral cavities, said prosthesis consisting of two parts, namely a male part (11) and a female part (12); and an insertion assembly (2) which is connected to the nucleus prosthesis (1). The elastic deformation of the inventive nucleus prosthesis (1) makes it possible for the prosthesis to be inserted into the intervertebral cavity. According to the invention, said prosthesis is inserted using the elasticity thereof and the insertion means (2) which form part of the device (3) before insertion but which can be subsequently removed. The invention also relates to different forms of prosthesis and insertion devices.

CERTIFICATION OF TRANSLATOR

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